GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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SCAM IN SARVA SHIKSHA ABHIYAN
Meghwal Shri Kailash

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether a scam has been unearthed in the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan accounts in Andhra Pradesh recently as reported in Indian Express dated April 10, 2007;

(b) if so, the details thereof; f

(c) whether senior officers of the State Education Department are involved and a FIR has been registered;

(d) if so, the details thereof?

(e) whether any inquiry lias been made in this regard; and

(f) if so, the outcome of the inquiry and action proposed to be taken against the culprits?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT(SHRI M.A.A. FATMI)

(a) to (f) Yes Sir. The State Project Director, Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA), Andhra Pradesh has informed that an amount of Rs. 14,98,03,378 of District Primary Education Programme (DPEP)/SSA had been diverted to unauthorized Bank Accounts by the Assistant Accounts Officer of SSA, Andhra Pradesh. An FIR has been lodged with the City Central Crime Station on 02.04.2007. The case has been transferred to CID as per the Government of Andhra Pradesh orders for further investigation. Three accounts officials have been suspended by the State Government and another three transferred out of the State Project Office of SSA/DPEP.